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**AMENDMENT AND REMARKS ACCOMPANYING**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

This paper and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are being submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated May 28, 2009, having a shortened statutory period that expired on August 28, 2009. Accompanying this response is a one-month Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time setting a new time for response of September 28, 2009. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

No Amendments to the Specification or Drawings are presented in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on **page 2** of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on **page 15** of this paper.